# Task Force on Administrative Burdens

Open Session: 8:30–10:00 a.m.

- Approval of the January 17, 2013 Teleconference Minutes (NSB/AB– 12–64)
- Task Force Chairman's Remarks
- Discussion Item: The Federal Demonstration Partnership's Current Initiatives and Results of the 2012 Faculty Workshop
- Discussion Item: Initiatives of the Research Business Models Interagency Working Group of the Social, Behavioral and Economic Research Subcommittee of the Committee on Science of the National Science and Technology Council
- General Discussion—Data Collection Initiatives, Request for Information; A–81 (Omni Circular); Public Meetings with the Scientific Community

### Plenary Board Meeting

Open Session: 10:00-11:00 a.m.

- Approval of Open Session Minutes, December 2012 (NSB-12-64)
- Chairman's Report
- Director's Report
- Open Committee Reports

## Plenary Board Meeting

Closed Session: 11:15-11:45 a.m.

- Approval of Closed Session Minutes, December 2012 (NSB-12-65)
- Awards and Agreements/ Resolutions—
  - Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), Emerging Frontiers Office (EF): Initial Operations for the National Ecological Observatory Network (NEON) (NSB-13-7)
  - Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE), Division of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (ACI): Authorization to fund Sustained-Petascale in Action: Blue Waters Enabling Transformative Science and Engineering (NSB-13-8)

• Closed Committee Reports

MEETING ADJOURNS: 11:45 a.m.

### Ann Bushmiller,

Senior Counsel to the National Science Board. [FR Doc. 2013–03651 Filed 2–12–13; 4:15 pm] BILLING CODE 7555–01–P

# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

# [NRC-2013-0029]

#### Service Contracts Inventory

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is providing for public information its Inventory of Contracts for Services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2012. The inventory includes service contract actions over \$25,000 that were awarded in FY 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2013–0029 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may access information related to this document, which the NRC possesses and are publicly available, using any of the following methods:

• Federal Rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket ID NRC–2013–0029. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301–492–3668; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov.

• NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may access publicly available documents online in the NRC Library at http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/adams.html. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public . Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to *pdr.resource@nrc.gov*. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced in this document (if that document is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced. The Inventory of Contracts for Services for FY 2012 can be accessed under ADAMS accession number ML12362A385. The inventory was published on the NRC Web site at the following location: http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/ contracting.html.

• *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Marvland 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori Konovitz, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–492–3627 or email: *lori.konovitz@nrc.gov.* 

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with Section 743 of Division C of the FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act, Public Law 111– 117, the NRC is publishing this notice to advise the public of the availability of its FY 2012 Service Contracts Inventory. The inventory provides information on service contract actions over \$25,000 that were awarded in FY 2012. The information is organized by function to show how contracted resources are distributed throughout the agency. The inventory contains the following data:

1. A description of the services purchased;

2. The total dollar amount obligated for the services under the contract, and the funding source for the contract;

3. The contract type and date of the award;

4. The name of the contractor and place of performance;

5. Whether the contract is a personal services contract; and

6. Whether the contract was awarded on a non-competitive basis.

The NRC will analyze the data in the inventory for the purpose of determining if its contract labor is being used in an effective and appropriate manner and if the mix of federal employees and contractors in the agency is effectively balanced. The NRC developed the inventory by pulling data from the Federal Procurement Data System—Next Generation. The inventory does not include contractor proprietary or sensitive information.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of February 2013.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. James C. Corbett.

Director, Division of Contracts, Office of Administration.

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### **POSTAL SERVICE**

# Removal of Confirm Service From the Market-Dominant Product List

**AGENCY:** Postal Service<sup>™</sup>. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service hereby provides notice that it has filed a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to remove Confirm<sup>®</sup> service from the Mail Classification Schedule's Market-Dominant product list.

**DATES:** *Effective date:* February 14, 2013. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John F. Rosato, 202–268–8597.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 1, 2013, the United States Postal Service<sup>®</sup> filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a request to remove Confirm service from the Mail Classification Schedule's Market-Dominant product list, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642. This request would update the Mail Classification Schedule by recognizing that the functionality of Confirm service has been incorporated into IMb Tracing<sup>™</sup>, and all Confirm service subscriptions have expired as of January 21, 2013. Interested persons may comment on, or view documents pertinent to this request at *www.prc.gov*, Docket No. MC2013–38.

## Stanley F. Mires,

Attorney, Legal Policy & Legislative Advice. [FR Doc. 2013–03379 Filed 2–13–13; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7710–12–P

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–68876; File No. SR–NYSE– 2013–09]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Amending Exchange Rule 80C To Establish Rules To Comply With the Requirements of the Plan To Address Extraordinary Market Volatility Submitted to the Commission Pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS

February 8, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)<sup>1</sup> of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")<sup>2</sup> and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,<sup>3</sup> notice is hereby given that January 25, 2013, New York Stock Exchange LLC ("NYSE" or the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

## I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 80C to establish rules to comply with the requirements of the Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility submitted to the Commission pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at *www.nyse.com*, at the principal office of the Exchange, on the Commission's Web site at *http:// www.sec.gov*, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

### II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the self-regulatory organization included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of those statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

### 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 80C to establish rules to comply with the requirements of the Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility submitted to the Commission pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS under the Act (the "Plan"). The Exchange proposes to adopt the changes for a pilot period that coincides with the pilot period for the Plan, which is currently scheduled as a one-year pilot to begin on April 8, 2013.

### Background

Since May 6, 2010, when the markets experienced excessive volatility in an abbreviated time period, *i.e.*, the "flash crash," the equities exchanges and FINRA have implemented market-wide measures designed to restore investor confidence by reducing the potential for excessive market volatility. Among the measures adopted include pilot plans for stock-by-stock trading pauses 4 and related changes to the equities market clearly erroneous execution rules <sup>5</sup> and more stringent equities market maker quoting requirements.<sup>6</sup> On May 31, 2012, the Commission approved the Plan, as amended, on a one-year pilot basis.<sup>7</sup> In addition, the Commission approved changes to the equities market-wide circuit breaker rules on a pilot basis to coincide with the pilot period for the Plan.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>8</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67090 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33531 (June 6, 2012) (SR– BATS–2011–038; SR–BYX–2011–025; SR–BX– 2011–068; SR–CBOE–2011–087; SR–C2–2011–024;

The Plan is designed to prevent trades in individual NMS Stocks from occurring outside of specified Price Bands.<sup>9</sup> As described more fully below, the requirements of the Plan are coupled with Trading Pauses to accommodate more fundamental price moves (as opposed to erroneous trades or momentary gaps in liquidity). All trading centers in NMS Stocks, including both those operated by Participants and those operated by members of Participants, are required to establish, maintain, and enforce written policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to comply with the requirements specified in the Plan.<sup>10</sup> As set forth in more detail in the Plan, Price Bands consisting of a Lower Price Band and an Upper Price Band for each NMS Stock are calculated by the Processors.<sup>11</sup> When the National Best Bid (Offer) is below (above) the Lower (Upper) Price Band, the Processors shall disseminate such National Best Bid (Offer) with an appropriate flag identifying it as unexecutable. When the National Best Bid (Offer) is equal to the Upper (Lower) Price Band, the Processors shall distribute such National Best Bid (Offer) with an appropriate flag identifying it as a Limit State Quotation.<sup>12</sup> All trading centers in NMS Stocks must maintain written policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to prevent the display of offers below the Lower Price Band and bids above the Upper Price Band for NMS Stocks. Notwithstanding this requirement, the Processor shall display an offer below the Lower Price Band or a bid above the Upper Price Band, but with a flag that it is nonexecutable. Such bids or offers shall not be included in the National Best Bid or National Best Offer calculations.<sup>13</sup>

Trading in an NMS Stock immediately enters a Limit State if the National Best Offer (Bid) equals but does not cross the Lower (Upper) Price Band.<sup>14</sup> Trading for an NMS stock exits a Limit State if, within 15 seconds of entering the Limit State, all Limit State Quotations were executed or canceled in their entirety. If the market does not exit a Limit State within 15 seconds, then the Primary Listing Exchange would declare a five-minute trading

- <sup>10</sup> The Exchange is a Participant in the Plan.
- <sup>11</sup> See Section (V)(A) of the Plan.
- <sup>12</sup> See Section VI(A) of the Plan.

<sup>14</sup> See Section VI(B)(1) of the Plan.

<sup>1 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78a.

<sup>3 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, e.g., NYSE Rule 80C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See, e.g., NYSE Rule 128.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See, e.g., NYSE Rule 104(a)(1)(B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67091 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33498 (June 6, 2012) (File No. 4–631) (Order Approving, on a Pilot Basis, the National Market System Plan To Address Extraordinary Market Volatility).

 $<sup>\</sup>label{eq:scalar} \begin{array}{l} {\rm SR-CHX-2011-30; \ SR-EDGA-2011-31; \ SR-EDGX-2011-30; \ SR-FINRA-2011-054; \ SR-ISE-2011-61; \ SR-NASDAQ-2011-131; \ SR-NSX-2011-11; \ SR-NYSE-2011-48; \ SR-NYSEAmex-2011-73; \ SR-NYSEArca-2011-68; \ SR-Phlx-2011-129). \end{array}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Unless otherwise specified, capitalized terms used in this rule filing are based on the defined terms of the Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Section VI(A)(3) of the Plan.